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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following remarks.